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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

JOSEPH HOLLEY INDIVIDUALLY  
AND ON BEHALF OF THE TE-MOAK  
TRIBE OF WESTERN SHOSHONE  
INDIANS OF NEVADA as Tribal  
Council Chairman,

Plaintiffs,

v.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF  
THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF  
INDIAN AFFAIRS; and DARRYL  
LACOUNTE, as Director of the Bureau  
of Indian Affairs,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:24-CV-01629-JAD-DJA

**Motion to Admit Government  
Attorney to Practice in the District of  
Nevada for the Duration of Attorney's  
Government Employment**

[ECF No. 9]

Pursuant to LR IA 11-3, the United States of America respectfully requests that the Court admit Government attorney Michelle Ramus to practice in the District of Nevada for the above-captioned case and in all matters in this district during her period of employment by the United States. Ms. Ramus will represent the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and Darryl LaCounte, in his official capacity as the Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (collectively, "Federal Defendants") in this matter.

Local Rule IA 11-3 provides:

Unless the court orders otherwise, any attorney who is a member in good standing of the highest court of any state, commonwealth, territory, or the District of Columbia, who is employed by the United States as an attorney and has occasion to appear in this court on behalf of the United States, is entitled

1 to be permitted to practice before this court during the period of employment  
2 upon motion by the employing federal entity, the United States Attorney, the  
3 United States Trustee's Office, or the Federal Public Defender for this district  
4 or one of the assistants.

5 Ms. Ramus is a licensed attorney and a member in good standing of the District of  
6 Columbia Bar (Bar No. 1617481). Ms. Ramus is a Trial Attorney for the U.S. Department  
7 of Justice in the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Natural Resources Section,  
8 in Washington, D.C. Her contact information is as follows:

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13 Accordingly, the United States respectfully requests that the Court admit Michelle  
14 Ramus to practice in the District of Nevada for the duration of her employment by the United  
15 States.

16 Respectfully submitted this 24th day of September 2024.

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19 /s/ Karissa D. Neff  
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22 **IT IS SO ORDERED:**

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24 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

25 **DATED:** September 24, 2024  
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